

REMARKS

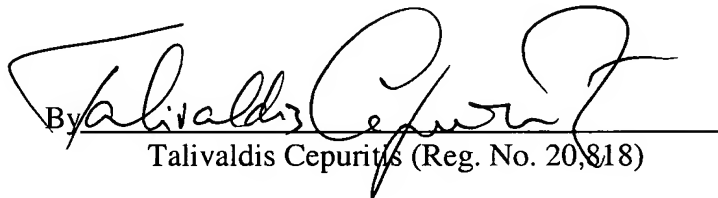
The specification has been amended on page 1 to identify the application as the National Stage of PCT/EP2004/011512.

Claims 1-9 and 11 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies in the original claims of the International Application upon which this application is based and to conform the claims to U.S. practice. Claims 12-18 have been cancelled. New claims 19-41 have been added.

No new matter is added by these amendments. An early action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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